

**Central Sector Scheme**

1. Grant-in-Aid to NGOs for Scheduled Tribes including Coaching and Allied and award for exemplary service.
2. Vocational Training in Tribal areas.
3. Educational Complex in Low Literacy Pockets.
4. Grant-in-Aid to State Tribal Development Cooperative Corporations for Minor Forest Produce.
5. Development of Primitive Tribal Groups.
6. Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship for Scheduled Tribes Students. Centrally Sponsored Scheme
7. Scheme of Post Matric, Book Bank and Upgradation of Merit of Scheduled Tribe Students.
8. Girls Hostel and Boys Hostel for Scheduled Tribes.
9. Ashram Schools in Tribal Sub Plan areas.
10. Research Information and Mass Education, Tribal Festival and Others.

**Special Area Programmes**

11. Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub Plan.
12. Grant-in-Aid under Article 275(1) of the Constitution.

The schemes apply to all States/UTs except Punjab, Haryana, Delhi, Chandigarh and Pondicherry.

The Government has also prepared a draft National Tribal Policy which provides a framework for the protection and development of tribals.

**Schemes for tribal people**

540. SHRI O.T. LEPCHA: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any tribal schemes have been launched by Government in the country particularly in the State of Sikkim during the last three years for providing education to the tribal people;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the State-wise details of the amount allocated and released for implementation of the said schemes in the country?

**THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P.R. KYNDIAH):** (a) Only one new Scheme meant for providing education exclusively to the Scheduled Tribes in the country has been taken up by the Government during the last three years. This is the Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship Scheme for Scheduled Tribe students launched in the year 2005-06.

(b) The objective of the scheme is to provide fellowships @ Rs.8000/- and Rs. 9000/- per month to Junior Research Fellows and Senior Research Fellows respectively, pursuing M.Phil./Ph.D. courses, as well as other support to students belonging to Scheduled Tribes. The scheme is being implemented through the University Grants Commission (UGC).

(c) No separate allocation for any State including the State of Sikkim has been made under this Scheme.

#### **Funds to NER for tribal people**

**541. SHRI O.T. LEPCHA:** Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds released to the States of North Eastern Region for tribal poor people during the last three years;

(b) the voluntary organisation of the States alongwith the Central Government funds received by them, NGO-wise/scheme-wise during this period; and

(c) the action being taken by Government for cent per cent utilization of funds in this regard?

**THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P.R. KYNDIAH):** (a) The Ministry of Tribal Affairs implements several Central Sector/Centrally Sponsored schemes/programmes for the welfare of tribal people in the North Eastern States. The list of schemes/programmes of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs being implemented for the welfare of tribal people is given in at Statement-I. (See below). Details of funds released to the States of North Eastern Region under various schemes/programmes of the Ministry